

Build Indiana Funds benefit local Volunteer Fire Department



Rep. Robert D. Kuzman
presented a check to the
Lakes of the 4 Seasons Volunteer
Fire Department.

As your State Representative, I have
worked to secure funds to benefit our
community.

Recently, I had the pleasure of
presenting a Build Indiana check to the
Lakes of the 4 Seasons Volunteer Fire
Department for *\$100,250 for new
equipment.*

Kuzman voted for over \$880 million in tax cuts

The 1999 biennial state budget provides over \$880 million in savings for Indiana taxpayers. I have detailed some of the tax cuts below.

- **Homeowners:** Property taxes on a taxpayer's principal place of residence can be deducted up to \$2,500.
- **Senior citizens:** The income tax deduction for most seniors was increased from \$1,000 to \$1,500. Each qualified taxpayer may take this deduction — meaning married couples may now deduct \$3,000 from their adjusted gross income. Many seniors also received an increase in the property tax deduction from \$1,000 to \$2,000.
- **Dependent children:** The income tax deduction was increased from \$1,000 to \$2,500 for dependent children under age 19 and full-time students under age 24.
- **Renters:** The renters' income tax deduction was increased from \$1,500 to \$2,000.
- **Small businesses:** Businesses will no longer have to "add-back" property taxes deducted on their federal returns.

Funding for our community

Schools -- MSD of Boone Township received 5.8 percent increase in funding in 2000 and a 4.9 percent increase in 2001. Crown Point Schools received a 5.4 percent increase in funding in 2000 and a 6.1 percent increase in 2001.

Roads -- Hebron has received \$195,162 and Winfield has received \$68,578 to improve local roads since 1997. Lake County has received \$3.21 million during that same time period.



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